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Do you often find yourself wishing that you could retrieve or change the message you just sent? Well, here's a way that you can delay delivering messages by having them stay in your Outbox for a specified time, so that you can easily change or delete them. If you use Microsoft Exchange Server you can use the Recall Message feature to recall individual messages.

- 1. On the **Tools** menu, click **Rules Wizard**, and then click the **New** button.
- 2. In the Which type of rule do you want to create list, click Check messages after sending, and then click the Next button.
- 3. Click the **Next** button to have this rule apply to all messages, or, if you want to limit the messages that the rule applies to, in the **Which condition(s) do you want to check** list, select any options you want.
- 4. In the **What do you want to do with the message** list, select **defer delivery by a number of minutes**. (Delivery can be delayed up to two hours.)
- 5. In the **Rule Description** box, click the underlined phrase, **a number of**, and in the **Defer delivery by** box, enter the number of minutes you want messages held before sending.
- 6. Click the **OK** button, and then click the **Next** button.
- 7. Select any exceptions, and then click the **Next** button.
- 8. In the **Please specify a name for this rule** box, type a name for the rule, and then click the **Finish** button.

That's it. Now, all your messages will be held in your Outbox for a specified time after you click the **Send** button.